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In re Application of :
SHI-YOU DING et al. :
Application No.09/917,376 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: July 28, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. NREL 01-36 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 8, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed April 18, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on July 19, 2006.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment, Request for Continued Examination, and the \$790 filing fee; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office Action of April 18, 2006 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Jean F. Duverne at (571) 272-6051 or in his absence, the undersigned at (571) 272-7099.

The application file is being referred to Technology Center AU 1652 for appropriate action on the concurrently filed amendment.

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